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NOTE FOR: Executive Assistant to the Executive Director


SUBJECT: Technology Transfer Issues




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There are two separate although related issues involved here. One involves a request by  to augment the DDI Technology Transfer Assessment Center by seven people to meet a growing workload. Dick Kerr tells me the DDI supports this requirement and believes they will be able to accommodate it within available resources. Dick was a bit chagrined that this issue had come forward, because they had not completed staffing it within the DDI.

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The second issue deals with a survey of overall Community resources devoted to the technology transfer issue undertaken by the TTIC. This survey apparently was done in response to an earlier commitment by the DCI to the Senate Intelligence Committee wherein he told the Committee he had tasked Admiral Inman to examine the adequacy of resources devoted to this issue by the Community. He further committed to inform the Committee of the results of this effort. Unfortunately, in my view, the TTIC survey only responds to a portion of the tasking. It identifies Community resources devoted to the problem but does not address the question of adequacy except inferentially through wish lists. I believe  is right in suggesting more work is needed to sort out our priorities and to understand better how the Community should go about addressing them. This is an essential step in determining "adequacy" and our most critical needs for additional resources. I am certain the SSCI would expect answers to these kinds of questions in responding further to concerns they have raised.

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I suggest the paper on TTAC FY 1983 manpower requirements be simply sent back to Dick Kerr for action. You may want to include a note indicating you understand the DDI is prepared to deal with this problem. The TTIC resource survey should probably be returned to  for further work along the lines indicated above, but that is really the DDCI's call wearing his IC hat.

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